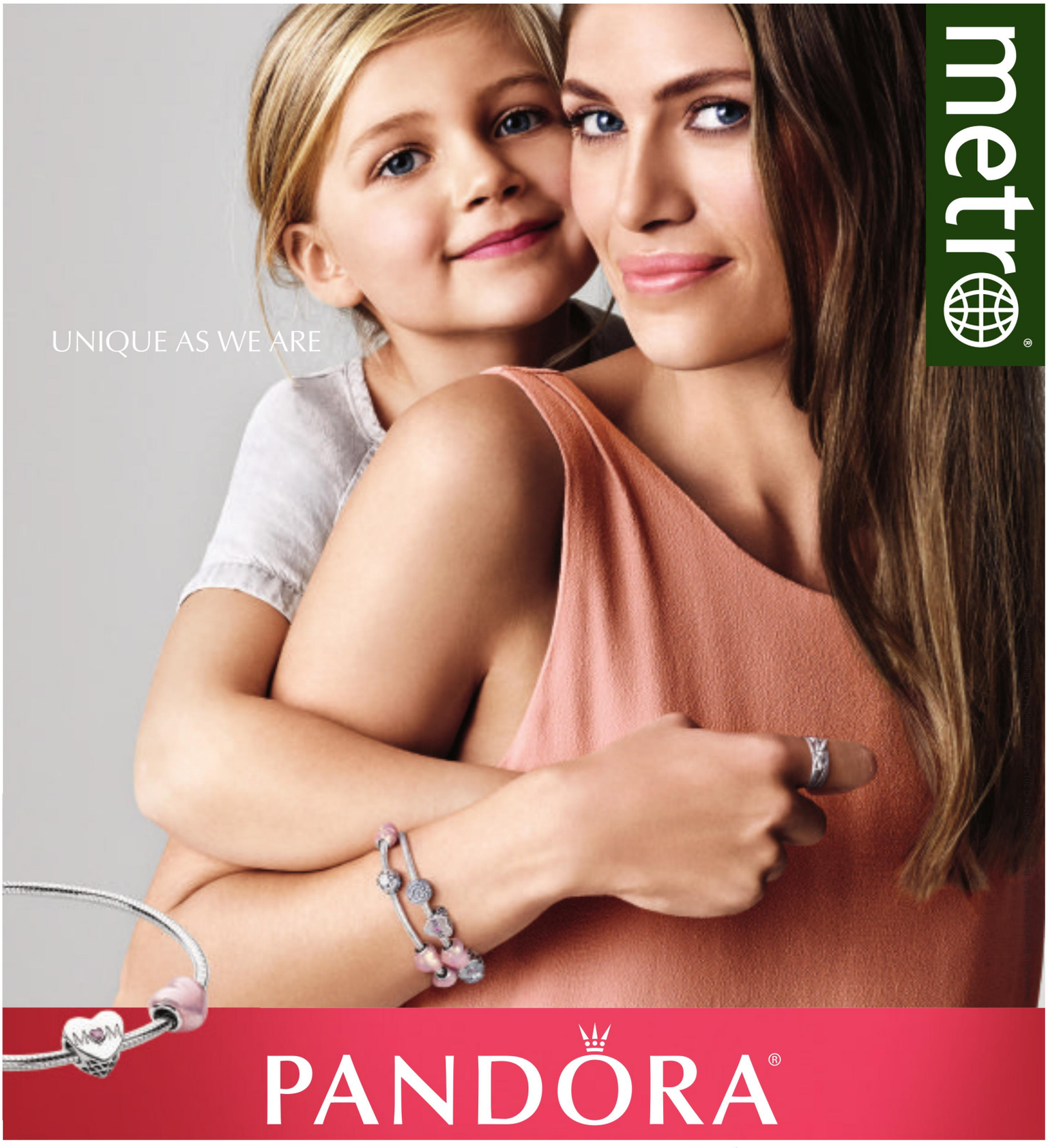

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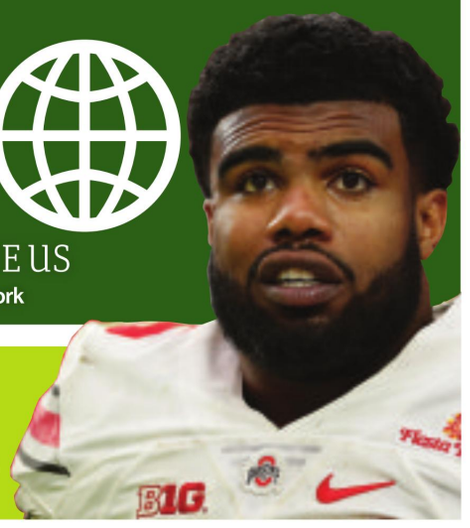

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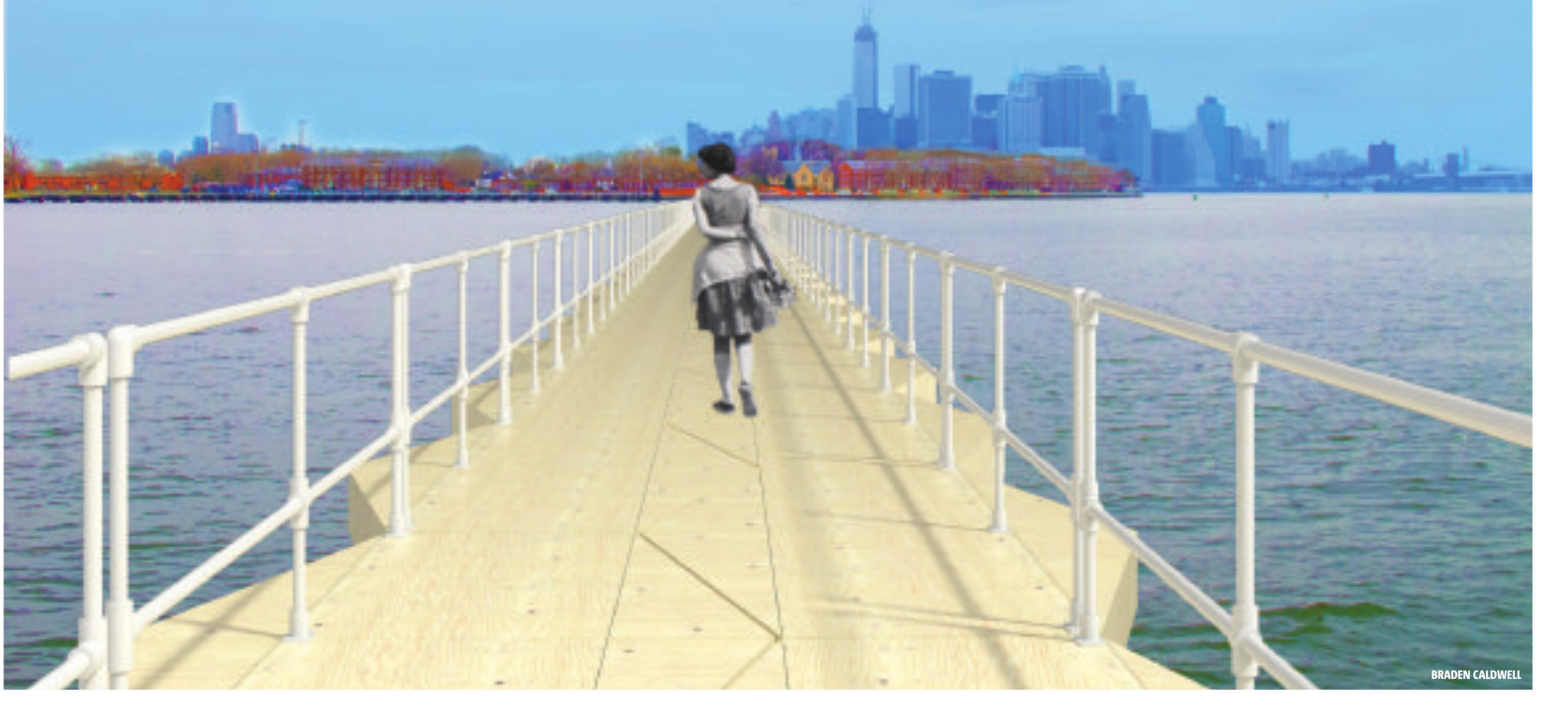

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Salah Abdeslam, believed to be the sole survivor among a group of Islamist militants who killed 130 people in Paris in November, was extradited to France from Belgium on Wednesday. Abdeslam, 26, was Europe's most wanted fugitive until his capture in Brussels on March 18 after a four-month manhunt. He was taken by helicopter to Paris under armed guard and then driven to the capital's main law courts. French Justice Minister Jean-Jacques Urvoas said Abdeslam would be held in a high-security prison in the Paris region. His capture in March came four days before separate suicide bomb attacks by Islamist militants at Brussels international airport and on a metro train that killed 32 people. REUTERS

THREE DEAD, ONE WOUNDED IN MISSISSIPPI SHOOTINGS

2 Three people were killed and one critically wounded in shootings early Wednesday in north-central Mississippi, a Mississippi Bureau of Investigation official said. Multiple crime scenes are involved in the shootings in Montgomery County, about 100 miles north of Jackson, according to Mississippi Bureau of Investigation spokesman Warren Strain. A person of interest was being interviewed and the Montgomery County sheriff is investigating, Strain said. No motive has yet been given for the shootings and authorities did not provide any information on the victims. The person who survived the shooting was airlifted to a hospital, Strain said. WCBI-TV, a CBS affiliate in northern Mississippi, reported that the incident happened at about 2 a.m., citing the county coroner. REUTERS

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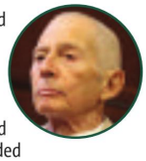

3 A New Orleans judge Wednesday sentenced real estate scion Robert Durst to seven years in prison for a federal gun crime and agreed to recommend that he serve his time in California, where he faces a murder charge in a friend's 2000 death. The 73-year-old, who entered and left the courtroom in a wheelchair, had pleaded guilty to the gun charge in February. Speaking in a weak voice, he asked U.S. District Judge Kurt Engelhardt to speed his transfer to California, so he can defend himself in the death of writer Susan Berman.

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A kayaker waves near the future site of the bridge. ORESTI TSONOPOULOS; PROVIDED

Artist creates 'Citizen Bridge' to reconnect residents, waterways

Crossing, which would be installed for 24 hours, would be pedestrian path between Brooklyn and Governor's Island.

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Rather than just trying to find a place with a nice waterfront view, Nancy Nowacek is looking to reconnect New Yorkers with the nature that surrounds them by giving them a chance to walk on water.

Nowacek is the artist behind the Citizen Bridge, a proposed 1,400-foot pedestrian crossing that would connect Brooklyn to Governor's Island and help citygoers reclaim the waterways as a public space.

The foot path — which, because of daily use of the water by agencies such as the Coast Guard, would only be in use for 24 hours — would function as an experience for residents to cross to an island that comes alive during the summer with events such as music and art festivals.

"Waterfront views are fantastic, but the water is just much more than a view," she said. "It's a whole other world that exists right outside our front doors."

"Waterfront views are fantastic, but the water is just much more than a view."
Nowacek

For the Brooklyn artist, the idea started when she moved to Red Hook and for the first time felt like she lived on an island — even after having lived in New York City since the late 1990s.

She could see Governor's Island and the water from her apartment, and said things began to come together after she learned from a Walt Whitman story of a sandbar that during low tide would allow people to get to land on either side of what is known as the Buttermilk Channel.

"That changed the way I looked at the waterways and really how I looked at the city," Nowacek said.

During the past four years the project has been in development and Nowacek and a group of volunteers have been working with regulatory agencies — which would eventually grant the permits needed to actually construct the final bridge — to adapt the design.

During this time the group has also been learning about the challenges that come with working on the city's waterways and learning from anyone who could teach them about how the water behaves.

There have been seven different bridge designs. The group is ready to build a proof-of-concept design based on the first full-engineered prototype, which will allow the group to understand the operations, logistics and safety systems for the final bridge.

Nowacek and her team are a completely volunteer work force — everyone from artists to engineers educators and architects are donating their time. The Citizen Bridge team is raising funds on Kickstarter for this next step.

"When I look at the city I see imagination at large, and so for me this project is just another form of that, and for New Yorkers to participate in the building of their city," she said.

Once the team hits its $25,000 goal, it plans to build the 100- to 200-foot prototype in Brooklyn Bridge Park by the end of September.

If everything goes as planned and the group is able to get all 12 necessary permits needed for the project to move to its final phase, the team plans to have the bridge on the water by the end of summer in 2017.

Although the bridge will only be out for one entire day, the intention is to bring the bridge back annually and to take it around the city and across the country.

"We don't want to bring the waterways to a grinding halt; we want to expand the use of the waterways," she said.

And in the end, Nowacek said she aims for the Citizen Bridge to be a collective work by New Yorkers to reclaim space that is right in their backyard.

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Inside look: Get room service to this Park Avenue fixer-upper

The Ritz Tower, built in 1926 as a residential hotel, is known for its architecture and famous tenants.

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Luxury apartment living in New York City often crosses the line to a hotel-like atmosphere. With amenities like dry cleaning drop-offs, state-of-the-art fitness centers and grand lobbies (not to mention meals eaten out several nights a week) wealthy city dwellers may feel like their apartments are an actual suite.

But some ritzy homes in the city blur the line between the two — apartment hotels.

The Ritz Tower, at 465 Park Ave., describes itself as "the city's most elegant apartment hotel."

Though it isn't an apartment hotel in the traditional sense — having short-term stays — the co-op does offer hotel-style services — including room service for lunch and dinner, maid and concierge service, safe deposit boxes, check cashing, postal services, laundry and dry cleaning.

But there is more to this uptown luxury tower than convenience — its history is rich in architecture and famous residents.

Built in 1926, the Emery Roth designed structure "caught the Jazz Age in stone, and announced the beginning, at last, of the modern age. At 41 stories, it was the first residential skyscraper in the city and the tallest such structure in the world," according to a review by CityRealty quoting the book "New York, New York."

Famous tenants

Beyond cuisine, the Ritz Tower has had its share of notable tenants, including William Randolph Hearst, and more recently Neil Simon, Clive Davis and developer Larry Silverstein.

The review also takes note of the Ritz Tower's rooftop finials, set-back terraces and height that was triple that of other luxury residential buildings of the era. It was even landmarked by the city in 2002. Built as a residential hotel, managed by Ritz Carlton Hotel Co., it also once reportedly housed the famed French restaurant Le Pavillon, its second location. It closed at 57th and Park Avenue in 1971.

Those looking to buy into this exclusive co-op can find a fixer-upper at a recently reduced $1,875,000.

The three-bedroom, three-bath unit is described as having " beautifully proportioned rooms with high ceilings." It also features herringbone floors, six oversize windows and a wet bar.

No matter how much is done to the inside, it's apparently all about the city views with this home — and, of course, the white-glove service.

Housing lottery opens at building near Barclays Center

New Yorkers now have the chance to enter an affordable-housing lottery — open to both low- and middle-income residents — that will give them the shot at scoring a home at a building overseeing the Barclays Center.

Starting on Thursday, the first affordable housing lottery at Pacific Park Brooklyn — a redevelopment of 22 acres in downtown Brooklyn that includes the sports and entertainment arena, and housing and retail space — opened on the city's lottery portal, NYC Housing Connect.

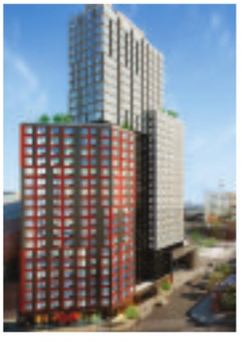
The housing lottery, which will be open through June 27, is for 181 below-market-rate apartments at the 32-story tower at 461 Dean St. and will be set aside for households earning between 30 to 160 percent of the area median income.

Renderings of the building. FCRC

Of the 181 affordable housing units, more than 70 of them will be made available to individuals and households that make more than 100 percent of the area's median income — meaning those earning up to $144,960 per year are eligible to apply.

More cities across the country — including Cambridge, Massachusetts, and San Francisco — are requiring developers to set aside rental units in developments for middle-income families as rents continue to sky rocket beyond increases in wages, The Wall Street Journal reported.

Developers have accepted the middle-class housing requirements because, according to The Wall Street Journal, it allows them to build taller projects.



The remaining units at 461 Dean St. will be designated for applicants who make as little as $20,675 a year.

The affordable units are divided into 75 studios, 70 one-bedroom apartments and 36 two-bedroom apartments.

The Dean Street residential building, which was developed by Forest City Ratner Cos. and designed by SHoP Architects, is the first to open at the Brooklyn site and has a total of 363 rental apartments and 4,000 square feet of ground floor retail.

The site — expected to begin occupancy in the fall — has amenities including a 24-hour doorman, a fitness center, lounge/game room, yoga/dance studio, children's playroom, and a roof terrace. Every unit in the building also comes with a washer and dryer.

Pacific Park Brooklyn has more than 1,800 units of housing under construction in six buildings — with 782 designated for below-market rates. Once construction is complete, the site will have a total of 6,430 housing units.

ANGY ALTAMIRANO

How to apply

Those looking to qualify for affordable housing at the Brooklyn site must enter the lottery run by the city's Housing Development Corp. through filling out an application online. Applicants are allowed to submit one application per household.

Preference to the lottery will be given to residents currently living in Brooklyn's Community Boards 2, 3, 6 and 8; others who might get preference include city workers and those with disabilities.

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Man knocked out at station for looking like Shia LaBeouf

Licato with his injuries; at right is LaBeouf PROVIDED; GETTY IMAGES

The attacker allegedly punched Mario Licato in the face on the stairwell of the Delancey Street station.

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For some people, looking like a celebrity is a good thing, but for one man looking like actor Shia LaBeouf left him with a black eye and a ton of questions.

Mario Licato, 26, was on his way to meet some friends on Saturday night at about 8:30 p.m. when he was punched in the face because he resembled the actor, according to PIX11 New York.

Licato was on the stairwell of the Delancey Street station when he was attacked by the random man who allegedly shouted "this is because you look like Shia LaBeouf" right before running away, PIX11 reported.

"I didn't even see the guy," Licato told Gothamist. "I just see his fist coming towards me."

After being knocked out, Licato got help from a couple who heard the attacker and asked if he knew the guy who had just punched him, Gothamist reported. Licato described the man to be in his mid-20s, muscular and between 6 foot and 6-foot 3.

The couple helped call 911 and emergency personnel treated Licato at the scene. Police are currently looking for the alleged attacker.

The 26-year-old posted a photo of his injuries on Instagram and jokingly thanked the attacker.

"I wanna know what Shia LaBeouf did to him."
Licato

"Well sir you boosted my self esteem bc he's p hot," Licato wrote.

The art director said that he has been told many times before that he resembled LaBeouf, according to Gothamist, but this incident has left him with a few questions.

"I wanna know what Shia LaBeouf did to him," he said. "What did Shia LaBeouf do to him that he punched somebody that looks like him? He must have did something so mean. Did he steal his girlfriend? Did he just see his last performance art piece?"

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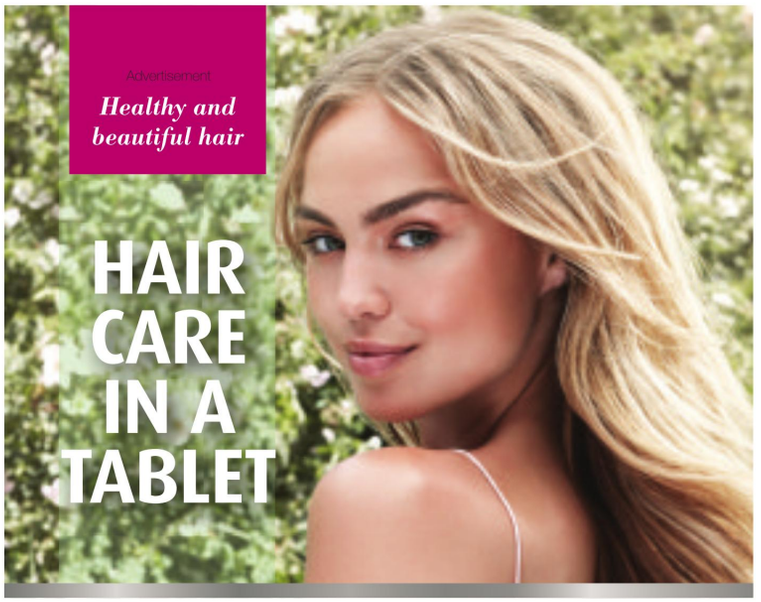

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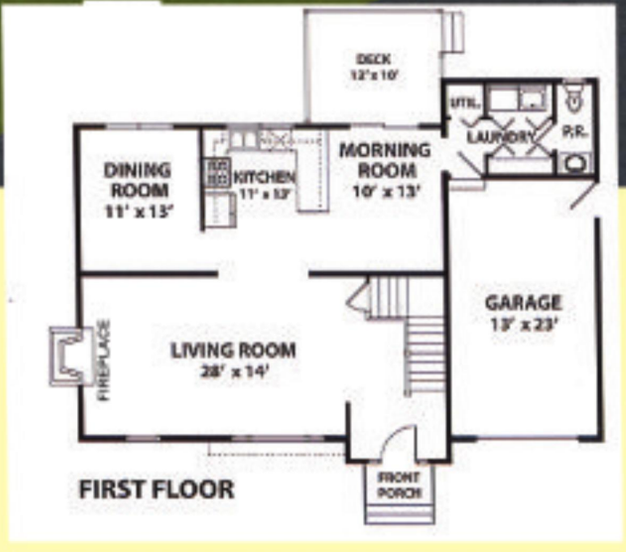

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SUBWAY ROBBERY

Woman punched in face after chasing man who stole her phone on 2 train: NYPD

Police are looking for a man who punched and drew a gun on a woman after he stole her phone on a Brooklyn subway earlier this week.

On April 25 at about 12:30 p.m. the suspect — described as a black man between 18 and 20 years old — approached the 31-year-old victim onboard the northbound 2 train, according to authorities.

While the train was pulling into the Beverly Road subway station, the man took the woman's Android phone and ran away — with the victim chasing after him, police said.

When the victim caught up with him, the suspect punched her in the face and pointed a gun at her, cops said.

Emergency personnel took the victim to a local hospital where she was treated for bruising to the eye and face.

The NYPD described the man as about 6 feet tall and between 150 and 160 pounds.

Anyone with information in regard to this incident is asked to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers Hotline at 1-800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 1-888-57-PISTA (74782). The public can also submit their tips at the Crime Stoppers website or by texting their tips to 274637 (CRIMES) then enter TIP577. ANGY ALTAMIRANO

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NYPD officers joined with other law enforcement agencies to arrest 120 alleged gang members and associates in what officials are calling the largest takedown of its kind in city history.

A large-scale overnight Bronx raid led to the arrest of 78 individuals as part of the years-long investigation into two rival street gangs operating in the Bronx and allegedly involved in homicides, robberies, drug sales and money counterfeiting, officials said.

That investigation, involving the NYPD, U.S. marshals, Drug Enforcement Administration, Homeland Security and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, netted 120 members and associates of the 2Fly YGz ("2Fly") and the Big Money Bosses ("BMB"), authorities said. They are charged in two indictments with racketeering conspiracy, narcotics conspiracy, narcotics distribution and firearms offenses.

According to NYPD Commissioner Bill Bratton, the members allegedly "engaged in open-air drug sales near homes and schools in the Bronx, pushing poison onto our streets. Allegedly, they also committed numerous acts of violence and at least eight murders in the course of their illicit operations."

Those murders included victims as young as 15 and old as 92, officials added.

"Today, we seek to eviscerate two violent street gangs — 2Fly and BMB — that have allegedly wreaked havoc on the streets of the Northern Bronx for years by committing countless acts of violence against rival gang members and innocents alike," Manhattan U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara said.

"The gangs' alleged victims include not only a 15-year-old child stabbed and left to die in the street, as well as a 92-year-old woman shot by a stray bullet in her own home, but also extend to the thousands of residents of Eastchester Gardens and its surrounding neighborhoods terrorized for years by the gangs' open-air drug dealing and senseless violence. We bring these charges today so that all New Yorkers, including those in or near NYCHA public housing, can live their lives as they deserve: free of drugs, free of guns, and free of gang violence," he said.

The violence laid out by officials started in 2007, and included stabbings, shootings, slashings, beatings and robberies.

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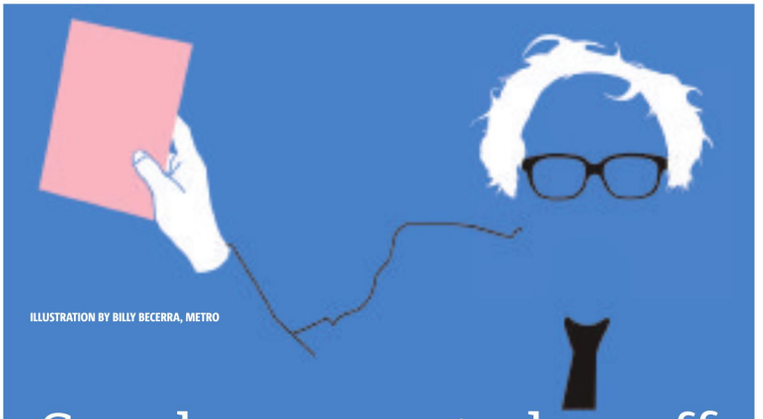

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Sanders says to lay off hundreds of campaign workers: NY Times

Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders said Wednesday he is planning to lay off hundreds of campaign workers nationwide and focus on winning in California, The New York Times reported.

Sanders, a U.S. senator from Vermont, told the Times in an interview that he planned to remain in the race despite losing four of five states in primary voting Tuesday, putting him further behind rival Hillary Clinton.

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NARRATOR (V.O.) Cont'd.
She took care of the injured little one for a year and named her KATE.

2 EXT. RIVER - SUNRISE 2

The truck approaches a gorilla sanctuary. We see flashbacks of what happened to Kate before she was rescued.

NARRATOR (V.O.)
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Trump vows to improve relations with Russia and China if elected

Republican front-runner Donald Trump vowed on Wednesday to seek better relations with Russia and China if elected president in November and said he would make U.S. allies bear more of the financial burden for their defense.

In a major speech, Trump delivered a withering critique of Barack Obama's foreign policy, saying the Democratic president has let China take advantage of the United States and has failed to defeat Islamic State militants. He pledged to "shake the rust off America's foreign policy."

The New York billionaire spoke the day after victories in five Northeastern states that moved him closer to capturing the Republican Party presidential nomination for the Nov. 8 election.

Donald Trump GETTY IMAGES

With U.S.-Russian relations strained over numerous issues including Moscow's support for Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, Trump said "an easing of tensions with Russia from a position of strength" is possible.

Trump also said he would use U.S. economic leverage to persuade China to rein in North Korea's nuclear program.

"China respects strength and by letting them take advantage of us economically we have lost all their respect," he said.

Trump said he would call separate summits of NATO and Asian allies to discuss a "rebalancing" of the U.S. financial commitment to their defense.

He was stern in charging that American allies have benefited from a U.S. defense umbrella but have not paid their fair share.

"The countries we defend must pay for the cost of this defense. If not, the U.S. must be prepared to let these countries defend themselves. We have no choice," Trump said.

Trump, a reality TV star, has never held elected office and has built support with a no-nonsense style and populist pledges to "make America great again."

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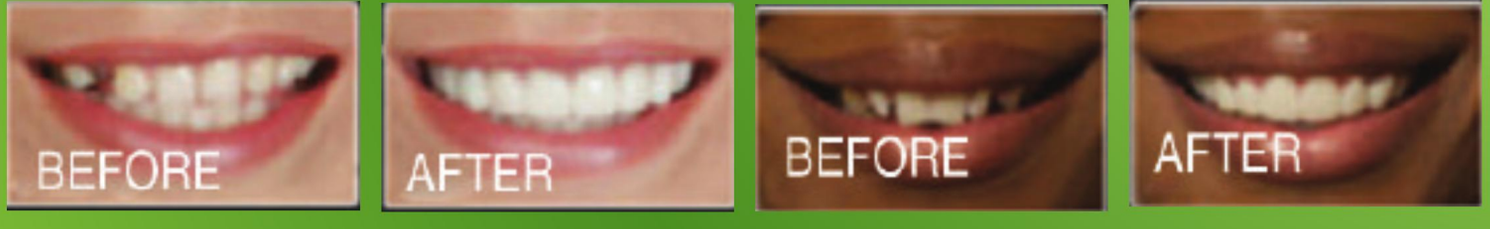

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Amid talk of 'peak iPhone,' Apple's prospects hinge on next model

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Ask Siri if iPhone 7 will be the answer to Apple Inc.'s problems, and you're told that a visit to Apple's website should answer that question "and more."

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Apple's shares were down 7.7 percent at $96.30 in early trading and were set for their biggest one-day fall in more than two years, a day after the company reported its first-ever fall in smartphone sales, arousing talk of "peak iPhone."

For many analysts, the company's immediate future rests with iPhone 7, which Apple is expected to launch in September.

"If iPhone 7 doesn't surprise with meaningful new useful features, we worry that consumers won't upgrade," Macquarie analyst Ben Schachter wrote in a note to clients.

"And unfortunately, nothing that we've seen about iPhone 7 thus far strikes us as particularly innovative," said Schachter, who cut his price target to $112 from $117 while maintaining his "outperform" rating on the stock.

The iPhone 7 is expected to sport a new look with features such as waterproofing, wireless headphones and force touch as the home button.

But many wonder if that will be enough to entice users to dump their existing iPhones or switch from the Android-based phones that have come to dominate the smartphone market.

Goldman Sachs removed Apple from its conviction list after Apple's results and said it expected the company's shares to remain weak until the market gets more comfortable with the prospects for iPhone 7.

Goldman was among at least 16 brokerages that cut price outlooks on Apple's stock, cutting its target to $136 from $155 while retaining a "buy" rating.

Of the 46 analysts covering the stock, 37 rate it "buy" or the equivalent. The median price target is $122, according to Reuters data.

Apple usually launches new iPhones in September and sells the most devices in the December quarter.

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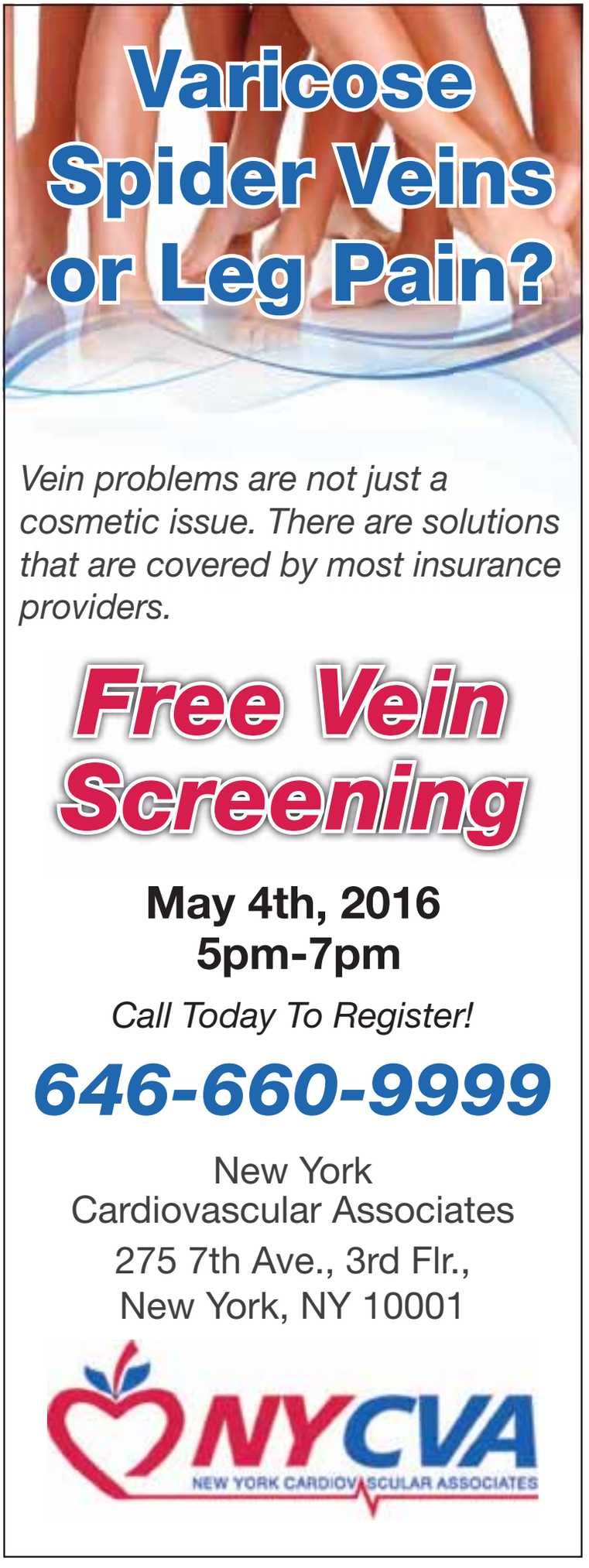

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Kim Kardashian and Blac Chyna hold peace summit

Peace in our time: It could really be a possibility, if this recent brunch meeting between Kim Kardashian and brother Rob Kardashian and his fiancee, Blac Chyna, is anything to go by.

The trio hit up comfort-food emporium Nate & Al's for some carbs and happy talking, according to E! News, and to hear a source on the scene tell it, everything was just oh-so-very-nice. "Kim and them were just sitting at a booth and they looked like they were having a good time," the source says. "They were talking directly to each other, not looking away or anything, so they were engaged in a conversation, all of them. Everyone seemed happy and they were really nice." So there's that.

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"Lemonade" getting Emmy consideration

Who's keeping track of Beyonce's EGOT ranking? Because this could seriously change things. Yes, the 20-time Grammy winner is already the most-nominated woman in Grammys history, and she's already been nominated for an Emmy twice, but the news this week that HBO has submitted "Lemonade" for Emmy consideration pretty much means she's going to win one, right? That's like "Hamilton" getting a nomination for any award, period. Even though "Lemonade" was only available on HBO and its on-demand services for 27 hours, it's still apparently Emmys-eligible, which is great. She's got one Oscar nomination under her belt, but nothing on the Tonys front — yet. Anybody else thinking a live "Lemonade" stage show on Broadway is in order?

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Mom, Dad, tornadoes...yup, I'm home! #Oklahoma

@RuPaul
Quick Reminder: Wash your hands.

@joelmchale
Eggs?

Jay-Z comes out of hiding — sort of

Speaking of "Lemonade," has anyone seen Jay-Z? The rapper and Tidal cheerleader has seemingly been in hiding since he was publicly shamed by his wife's tell-all album release last weekend — and wouldn't you be? But now, he's been spotted! Beyonce's husband of eight years was spotted in Miami Tuesday, puffing on a cigar on a private patio. So how did he look? Scared? Chastened? Like he was avoiding any and all girls named Becky? It's actually hard to tell, given his famously inscrutable face. But still, smoke 'em if you've got 'em.

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Sibling synergy

Brother-sister act Wild Belle discuss their sophomore release and the merits of "Hang on Sloopy."

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Wild Belle's sophomore album "Dreamland" dropped April 15, just 24 hours before Record Store Day — one of multi-instrumentalist Elliot Bergman's favorite days of the year. The pseudo-psychedelic duo of Bergman and his sister, Natalie, who sings vocals, and were at home in Chicago before their U.S. tour to support the album. He played some records for us (including a reggae cover of "Billie Jean," we've been humming ever since) and discussed the band's vinyl influences, DJ tricks and road fams.

Following Record Store Day, what's your relationship with vinyl? Did you grow up listing to it?
Record Store Day is pretty much every day for me. I worked in a record shop all through college in Ann Arbor and am still very much addicted to buying records. But once you work in a store, it's hard to buy ones [elsewhere], because you're like, 'This isn't a $40 record, this is a $3 record and I should buy it for $5." I went through periods of withdrawals because I was insulted by how much everything costs. Lately we can justify what I've been buying though because we've been doing a lot of DJing. That's a pretty dangerous rationalization.

What do you play to get people on the dance floor?
There are certain songs you can't leave without because they're ingrained in people's consciousness, like "Miss You" by the Rolling Stones" or "Hang on Sloppy" [by the McCoys]. People just get so excited when they hear them.

Did your vinyl collection play an influence on "Dreamland"?
We were influenced by so many things on this album, like the downtown New York postpunk stuff like Liquid Liquid and ESG. Then stuff like this song called "With a Girl Like You" by the Troggs that I really love. There's an innocence to it that doesn't exist in pop music anymore. Like hopefulness in this thought — "Can I dance with you?" It's such a simple thought and you can actually picture the guy at a dance asking before the end of the night. When you think of a lyric like that being able to capture the consciousness of people's minds and be able to transport them, there's something really beautiful about that.

There's some dark stuff on this album, but there's hope, too. We listened to that Troggs' album and wanted to capture some of that hopeful stuff. We were being bombarded with lots of dark things in our personal lives as we were making this album. You have to embrace those things and deal with them in your own way, but you also have to be able to be hopeful and talk about love in a way that's positive and constructive.

I'm sure everyone wants to ask you about touring and making music with your sister and that sibling relationship, but does that vibe extend to your tour family now, too?
People always ask what it's like to be brother and sister. It's such a focus. Now we're just trying to open that dialogue and be like, we're all brothers and sisters and we're at a point in time that we learn to love to everyone as a brother and sister. There's so much hate speech in the political scene and people are trying to divide things up, so our understanding is that everyone is your brother and sister and it's important to reinforce whenever we can.

Wild Belle's Elliott Bergman is a vinyl master. PROVIDED

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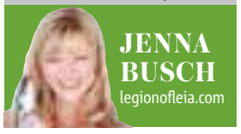
Gwendoline Christie's Brienne of Tarth scored some strong moments in the show's latest episode. HELEN SLOAN, HBO

Perhaps 'Game of Thrones' is back on track

Geek Girl in Hollywood



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Can "Game of Thrones" recapture its former glory? The first episode of Season Six seems to tell us it can.

My history with the show actually started with the books, which I started reading when they first came out on the recommendation of a friend. He told me that I'd "throw the book across the room once I finished it." Fans know that a certain character who seemed to be the hero was killed at the end of book one. There is still a dent in my wall, though I can't do that now that I read on a Kindle.

When the show premiered, I was thrilled that it didn't temper the brutality of the books. Nothing was sugar-coated, and the women were as savage as the men. Despite suffering oppression in their society, they were as strong, if not stronger, than the men. Flawed and well-drawn, they weren't paragons of virtue. The HBO adaptation showed us that as well.

Then the last two seasons happened, notably with the rapes that were not in the books. There was Cersei being abused by Jamie, and Sansa getting the same treatment from her husband, Ramsay Bolton. Please note that the latter storyline made sense, but the filming of the horror it caused Theon — but not Sansa — was so misguided that I was barely able to finish the fifth season. I'm not alone in that. Frankly, outside of that, the rest of the episodes were pretty freaking boring — unforgivable for a TV series.

It does, however, appear that the women reign this season. The scene where Brienne swears loyalty to Sansa brought me to tears. If this is truly the end of the long lead-up to Sansa gaining power, I may be able to hold on. If Cersei, monster that she is, is able to either cause destruction or take over, I'm in.

It's not all about the women. If the action we saw in the first episode is what we'll continue to see in Season Six, I'm back in. Season Five just felt like a prelude. The last three episodes should have been the first three. Please tell me this great beginning was not a fluke. Tell me that the last scene in the premiere with the big reveal means there will be more to a certain character than disrobing all the time. Tell me I'm right and you'll have me again, HBO.

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Warm days are starting to outnumber cold ones, and there are lots of new spots to soak up the rays. EVA KIS

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Fish Bar at North River Landing

Floating lobster shack North River Lobster Company is getting some company on Pier 81 with a three-story lounge and seafood restaurant — all onboard its sister yacht with 3,000 glorious square feet of rooftop deck. Fish Bar at North River Landing's other two indoor levels will also have outdoor bars, all designed with classic Mediterranean sailing in mind (and yes, it will also take short voyages out onto the Hudson). The seafood-focused menu is complemented by boozy sorbets and a champagne bar.

Koneko Cat Cafe

Cat cafes are pretty much the best thing to happen to the city's humans *and* cats in a long time. Koneko (26 Clinton St.) has an edge with a beer, sake and wine bar alongside the coffee, tea and Japanese snacks. But since it opened just before October last year, there wasn't a chance to experience the cafe's other unique feature: an outdoor patio. The cats roam the cattery and Catio freely, but when the sun starts coming out consistently you know they'll be warming their bellies on the turf alongside you.

Rock & Reilly's

There's no such thing as a low-key Manhattan rooftop bar, but this Los Angeles interpretation of an Irish pub ratchets it up a notch. Rock & Reilly's just opened on the Renaissance Midtown Hotel (218 W. 35th St.), bringing a small forest of trees to its massive terrace space and a nightclub's worth of sound system to ensure a party vibe. Rolling up to one of the three bars, you'll find solid (if largely fruity) cocktails and 45 whiskeys.

Fair Weather Bushwick

After two years as a Turkish coffeeshop, this Brooklyn nook transformed into a restaurant in late March, and the opening of its patio (weather permitting) will bring new a la carte menu options like a hanger steak and 'nduja mac 'n' cheese. The handful of small wooden tables are sheltered by a high wall covered in crawling vines, so look forward to mellow summer nights under the stars in a neighborhood that could use a laid-back spot. Chef John Creger is also responsible for the excellent beer menu, with options from Evil Twin and Stillwater locally, and as far afield as Sweden, plus biodynamic wines. *274 Wyckoff Ave.*

La Playa NYC

The founders of Rockaway Brewing Company in Long Island City are missing their old neighborhood by the shore, so they've decided to bring a little piece of it to Ridgewood. La Playa NYC will take over a 5,000-square-foot lot at 176 Woodward Ave. on June 4, according to QNS, covering it with sand from Long Island and adding all the necessary fixtures of a real beach: umbrellas, volleyball courts, chairs and a classic island-style bar serving only beers from breweries that use ingredients from New York state.

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ART

PopRally Presents: Yung Jake

April 29, 9 p.m.-midnight
MoMA, 11 W. 53rd St.
$25, MOMA.org
MoMA's Slithering Screens series turns films into immersive experiences. This Friday, rapper/artist Yung Jake will perform his multi-social media show (8 p.m.) that brings viral videos, GIFs, memes, tweets and more to tell a story about communication and art in the time of the Internet. Afterward, as part of PopRally, MoMA's series for young audiences, he'll host a three-hour party with video projections, DJs and an open bar in the museum's lobby.

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MUSIC

"Haunting Renditions Live"

April 29, 8 p.m.
The Bell House, 149 Seventh St., Brooklyn
$10-$12, Thebellhousenyc.com
Eliot Glazer is known for his podcast, "Haunting Renditions," where he takes bad pop music and transforms it into elevated art (think Katy Perry's "California Gurls" sung as a mournful love ballad). The hilarious and talented singer/pianist performs his popular show live at the Bell House in Brooklyn on Friday, with special guests comedian Andrew Schulz and actress Jeanne Goldfarb. Tickets are $10 in advance and $12 at the door; seating is first come, first served.

International Jazz Day

April 30, 7-9 p.m.
National Jazz Museum in Harlem, 58 W. 129th St.
$19.98, Jazzmuseuminharlem.org
Revel in America's music at the new National Jazz Museum in Harlem on this UNESCO-created holiday. Jon Baptiste, the museum's co-artistic director and bandleader for the "Late Show with Stephen Colbert," will lead a talk about the history and heritage of this powerful music, followed by a live concert.

ARTS

"Killing Republicans: A Rock Opera"

April 30, 8 p.m.
Coney Island Shooting Gallery/ Arts Annex, 1214 Surf Ave.
$15-$50, Coneyisland.com
Imagine Academy Award winner Jodie Foster, Nigerian pop star Good Gracious and an oilman named Billy Bob sitting down for a chat about politics. Pretend it's taking place at 30,000 feet in First Class. Now imagine it as a satirical rock opera with music inspired by the Ramones and Sex Pistols. You'll be excited to know that we're not making this up — see it for yourself when "Killing Republicans" opens on Saturday.

CULTURE

Sakura Matsuri

April 30-May 1, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 990 Washington Ave.
$25, BBG.org
Even though spring came early, the Botanic Garden has plenty of cherry blossoms left to celebrate at this weekend's festival of Japanese culture. It's also the 35th anniversary of Sakura Matsuri, with over 60 events like a J-Pop dance party, stand-up comedy, tea ceremonies and as much cosplay as Comic Con. There's an arts alley for prints, books, posters and manga, plus seminars on everything from bonsai shaping to samurai swordplay.

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Don't miss these picture-perfect New England towns on your summer road trip.

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As summer approaches, sleepy towns across New England are beginning to wake up from hibernation. With flowers in bloom and leafy trees covering the mountains, summer is without doubt the best season to visit New England — and the only time to enjoy its pristine beaches. The region has plenty to offer outside of major cities like Boston and Providence, especially on the coast, where locals flock to relax on the beach, go biking and sailing, and enjoy the delicious seafood New England is known for. Starting in Connecticut and heading north to Maine, here are some of the most scenic destinations for summer fun, food, history and culture. LAURA ITZKOWITZ

Mystic, Connecticut

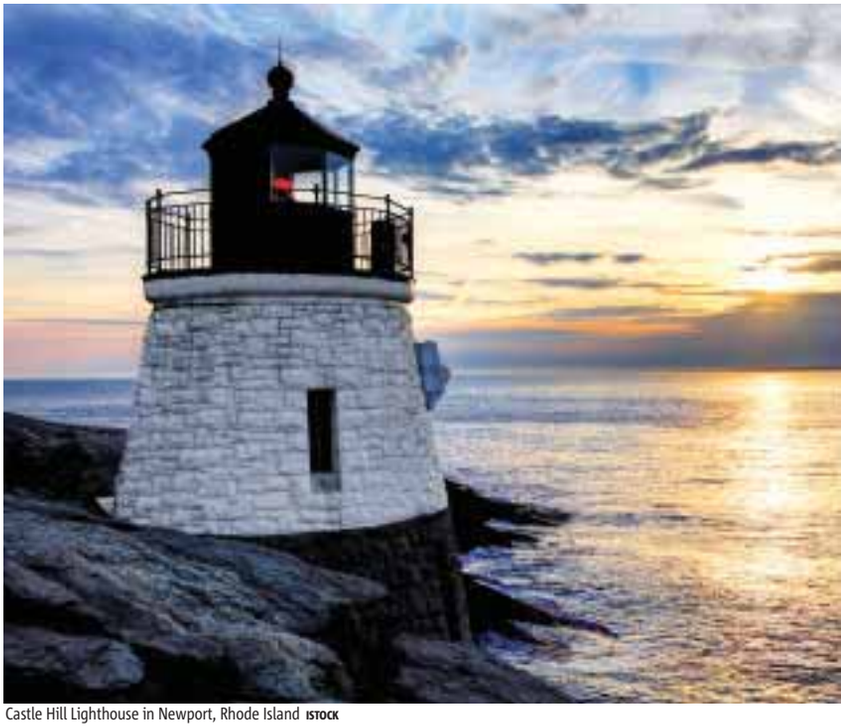
Halfway between New York City and Boston, Mystic has plenty of coastal attractions. The historic town is home to Mystic Seaport, the world's largest maritime museum with over 500 vessels, including a whaling ship. At the Mystic Aquarium, see New England's only beluga whales — plus penguins, sea lions and plenty of other aquatic animals. Embrace the kitschy side of town at the Olde Mistick Village, where you'll find souvenirs and homemade fudge at Franklin's General Store.

Insider Tip: Check out the spots featured in the 1988 movie "Mystic Pizza" that made Julia Roberts famous.

Lenox, Massachusetts

Home to the Tanglewood Music Festival, Lenox exudes mountain charm unique to the Berkshires. Winding roads twist and turn, enveloped by verdant canopies that open onto spectacular views of the rolling valleys dotted with farmhouses. The main attraction is The Mount, Edith Wharton's country estate. Built in 1902, Wharton designed it herself, emphasizing simplicity and harmony. Three acres of formal gardens complement the home, providing a beautiful backdrop for a stroll.

Insider Tip: A visit to MASS MoCA — the contemporary art museum in a complex of 19th-century factory buildings — is a must.



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Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts

Known as an affluent summer colony, the population of Martha's Vineyard swells to five times its normal size from June until Labor Day. It's easy to see why: The Vineyard's pristine beaches and calm waters are ideal for relaxing. Originally settled by the Wampanoag people, the island's natural beauty has been preserved at the Aquinnah Cliffs, which are protected as part of the Wampanoag Reservation land.

Insider Tip: The Obamas have been vacationing on Martha's Vineyard since 2009 and are planning to return this summer.

Gloucester, Massachusetts

About an hour north of Boston on Cape Ann, Gloucester is the country's oldest seaport. It was established as an English settlement in 1623, and today you can visit historic houses like the Cape Ann Museum. Gloucester's scenic beauty has attracted many artists, including Winslow Homer, William Morris Hunt, Mark Rothko, Maurice Prendergast and Edward Hopper. The Rocky Neck Art Colony — the first settled artist colony in the U.S. — has many contemporary artist studios and galleries.

Insider Tip: Don't miss Beauport, the Sleeper-McCann House, which was the lavish summer home of one of America's first interior designers.

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Newport, Rhode Island

Gilded Age tycoons flocked to the charming seaside city of Newport to build their summer "cottages" at the turn of the century. Early examples of these homes — such as Isaac Bell's shingled house — actually resemble cottages. With the arrival of the Vanderbilts came opulent mansions modeled on European palaces. The Breakers, designed by Richard Morris Hunt in the Italian Renaissance style, is the grandest, though Marble House, modeled on Le Petit Trianon at Versailles, set the tone for the rest. Though the mansions are Newport's claim to fame, there's plenty to do in this historic city.
Insider Tip: Every July, the Newport Music Festival puts on performances by world-class musicians at the mansions.

Newburyport, Massachusetts

Near Gloucester, Newburyport was a major shipbuilding center and retains some of New England's finest Federal-period homes. The town boasts the oldest continuously operating courthouse in the U.S., and was a stop on the Underground Railroad. A statue of prominent abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison stands on the site where he held abolitionist meetings in Brown Square. The First Presbyterian Church, built in 1756, features a clock bell tower cast by Paul Revere.
Insider Tip: Strolling through the center of town, you'll find plenty of antique shops and charming restaurants.

Portsmouth, New Hampshire

This coastal city was originally settled in 1623 as Strawbery Banke, and its colonial legacy lives on at the Strawbery Banke Museum. This 10-acre living history museum proudly displays houses, gardens, shops and taverns from the 1600s and 1700s. In fact, the whole town is full of Colonial, Federal, Georgian and Victorian house museums. There are plenty of modern-day amusements too, from laid-back pubs serving local craft beer to a lively local music scene.
Insider Tip: For live music and theater, check out The Press Room, which hosts concerts most nights of the week, and The Music Hall, a Victorian-era venue.

Franconia, New Hampshire

If you're hoping to escape city life and get as close to nature as possible, this is the place to go. The tiny town of Franconia is sparsely populated, but visitors passing through are stunned by the White Mountains' rugged beauty. Nathaniel Hawthorne wrote a short story inspired by the rock formation known as The Old Man of the Mountain. Franconia Notch State Park is popular for hiking, biking and fishing.
Insider Tip: For a literary adventure, take the road less traveled and head over to the Frost Place Museum, where the poet lived.

Burlington, Vermont

Compared to the state capital Montpelier, Burlington is a bustling metropolis, with a population of over 42,000 and a lively downtown area. Here, in the city poised on Lake Champlain, you'll find lots of artsy shops and galleries, craft vendors, sidewalk cafes, restaurants and bars. It's also home to the Magic Hat brewery, which offers tours and tastings, as well as Lake Champlain Chocolates, which makes delicious chocolates with fresh, local ingredients.
Insider Tip: For an excellent meal, go to Hen of the Wood, one of Vermont's best restaurants.

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Brattleboro, Vermont

Brattleboro is on the corner of three states and has an impressively vibrant arts and literary culture, with a distinctive Vermont flavor. Like nearby Pioneer Valley, Brattleboro has a liberal, counter-culture bent. Farms in the surrounding area are important to the economy and the city's daily life. The Brattleboro Farmers' Market has a great selection of lunch food in addition to fresh produce, bread and pastries. For a special meal, book a table at T.J. Buckley's, run by owner and chef Michael Fuller, who has been serving local organic cuisine for the past 30 years — long before the local-food movement took off.
Insider Tip: Be sure to check out the Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, where exhibits are housed in an old train station.

Bar Harbor, Maine

The cultural and culinary hub of Mount Desert Island, Bar Harbor is beloved for its rugged, natural beauty. Waves crash against the granite cliffs, mountains rise above the sea, and lighthouses guide ships to safety. It was the summer destination of choice for Brooke Astor and generations of Rockefellers, and the main streets are full of quaint clapboard shops selling local arts and crafts. Don't miss the lobster; Abel's Lobster Pound is a local favorite.
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No. 1

Rams
Jared Goff, QB

Los Angeles gets the new face of the franchise with the first overall selection. They gave up a lot to get here, and Goff is the choice to step in immediately and lead them in their new home.

No. 2

Eagles
Carson Wentz, QB

The Rams selection is just fine with the Eagles, who get the player they covet at No. 2. Wentz might not be ready to start on week one, which is just fine with Doug Pederson. After Sam Bradford's trade demands, who Wentz will be backing up when the season begins is up in the air.

No. 3

Chargers
Jalen Ramsey, CB

With their pick of any player outside the two quarterbacks, there is rumbling that San Diego is looking at Ronnie Stanley. Ramsey fills a need in the secondary and will create just as many plays while the ball is in the air as a pass rusher would beforehand.

No. 4

Cowboys
Joey Bosa, DE

Dallas no longer has the quandary of selecting a QB here, so now the question becomes whether they will be the first team to look towards Ezekiel Elliott. In the end, Bosa becomes the first Ohio Stater off the board and becomes the scariest pass rusher on the Cowboys.

No. 5

Jaguars
Myles Jack, LB

There are more questions surfacing about Jack's recovery from his knee injury and his future outlook. It will come down to a team-by-team appraisal, and if Jacksonville clears him, they'll be happy to add a dynamic defender.

No. 6

Ravens
DeForest Buckner, DE

Baltimore seems bent on upgrading the pass rush this draft and if Bosa is off the board Buckner becomes the best way to do it. Towering Oregon defensive linemen are becoming the norm in the first round (Arik Armstead last year).

No. 7

49ers
Laremy Tunsil, OT

Chip Kelly began his tenure in Philadelphia by selecting offensive tackle Lane Johnson fourth overall. He should be happy to find the player many thought would be the first off the board to Tennessee falling into his lap at seventh.

No. 8

Browns
Ronnie Stanley, T

As mentioned above, some teams are higher on Stanley than Tunsil. If the Browns are one of those, then that trade with the Eagles worked out pretty darn well. If they aren't, they could always trade further down.

No. 9

Bucs
Vernon Hargreaves, CB

Hargreaves is still ultra-talented, not to mention local. It's a match made in heaven. The best team in the NFC South just lost the division's best cornerback. Now the worst team will have one that might be the best in the draft.

No. 10

Giants
Ezekiel Elliot, RB

The Giants aren't the most-discussed landing spot for Elliott, but if he makes it past the Cowboys he may simply be too good to pass up. Besides, if you want more help blocking for Eli, Elliott fills that role as well as any running back you could find.

No. 11

Bears
Leonard Floyd, LB

The Bears are also a major player for Elliott, but if he's gone they'll look to Floyd, who is flying up draft boards and mock drafts. It's about time the Bears were associated with star linebackers again, and Floyd has the athleticism to make that happen.

No. 12

Saints
Shaq Lawson, DE

There are rumors the Saints were exploring trade options for the number one pick. If that's the case, Paxton Lynch could be a possibility here. Lawson upgrades a defense and pass rush that are in desperate need of it.

No. 13

Dolphins
Eli Apple, CB

The Dolphins have a need at cornerback, and already dropped from eighth to 13th in the draft to work on filling it by acquiring Byron Maxwell. Apple will shore up the opposite side and give Miami a big corner in Maxwell's mold.

No. 14

Raiders
Sheldon Rankins, DT

The Raiders don't immediately need help on the inside of their defensive line, but Rankins represents a kind of defensive tackle they don't currently have: nimble and able to quickly get after the passer.

No. 15

Titans
Jack Conklin, OT

The Titans will have done pretty well for themselves to still address offensive tackle here and take the load of picks the Rams gave them to the bank. Conklin is ready to step in and play from day one, and pretty great value in this draft.

The rest of the picks

- **16 — Lions:** Kevin Dodd, DE
- **17 — Falcons:** Darron Lee, LB
- **18 — Colts:** Taylor Decker, OT
- **19 — Bills:** Robert Nkedimche, DT
- **20 — Jets:** Paxton Lynch, QB
- **21 — Redskins:** Jarran Reed, DT
- **22 — Texans:** Corey Coleman, WR
- **23 — Vikings:** Laquon Treadwell, WR
- **24 — Bengals:** Josh Doctson, WR
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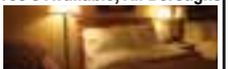
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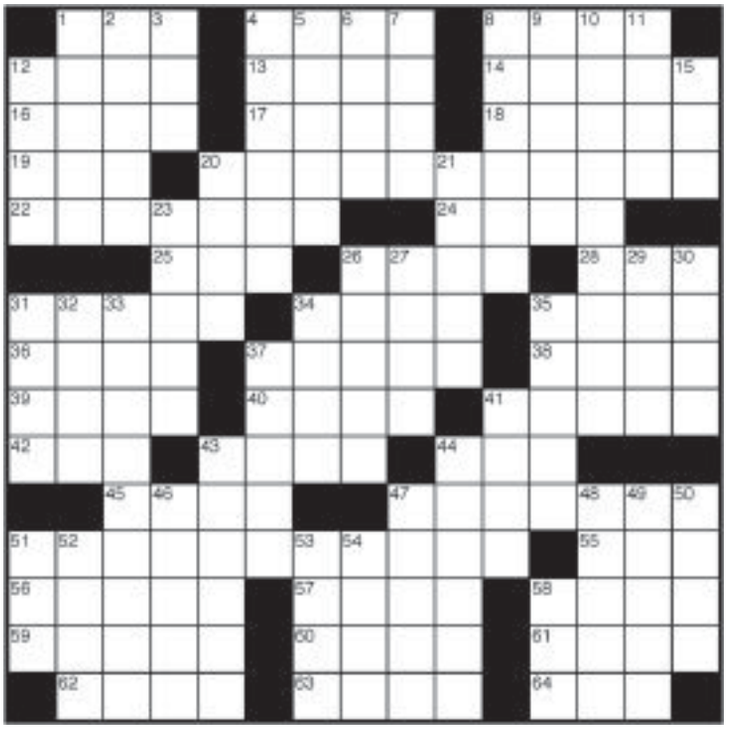

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Aries Professional concerns will stir up emotions. It's time to invest in your skills, knowledge and expertise, as well as to put your finances in order. Money is heading your way.

Taurus You've got the edge. Your ability to foresee trends and make quick, sound decisions will make you the go-to person. Interviews and meetings look promising.

Gemini Don't let anyone entice you down a path that leads to bad habits, unhealthy pastimes or unsavory influences. Discipline will help you overcome temptation.

Cancer If you look at the bright side of any situation, you will find it much easier to convince others to join in. Use your knowledge and expertise to bring about positive change.

Leo Take the initiative to make things happen. Personal changes will enhance your appearance and give you the strength and courage to improve your life and important relationships.

Virgo Participation will be in your best interest. Attending functions that allow you to show off your intelligence and skills will put you in a good position and draw interesting proposals.

Libra Emotional issues are best thought through before you make a move. Concentrate on how you can benefit. You can't change others, but you can change yourself.

Scorpio You can gather valuable information by attending a function that addresses some of your concerns. If you make creative suggestions, you will have an opportunity to team up.

Sagittarius Personal change will lead to good fortune. Consider the people you have dealt with in the past and revise your list of friends. Cut out the middleman and do your own thing.

Capricorn You've got everything going for you, so don't let someone ruin your plans. Walk away from anyone who shows signs of procrastination or unpredictability. Take action.

Aquarius If you look over personal papers, you will find that you have more assets than you realize. Invest in your skills and ideas in order to set your long-term plans in motion.

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